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MEMORANDUM

September 30, 1971

TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

Robert T. Kenney

SUBJECT:

BOARD OF APPEAL REFERRALS

Petition No. Z-2254 Pasquale Fraticelli 82-86 Prince Street, North End

Petitioner seeks a forbidden use permit and a variance for a change of occupancy from 16 apartments and two stores to 20 apartments in a local business (L-2) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Req'd

Section 8-7. A dwelling converted for more families and not meeting one half the requirements of open space is forbidden in an L-2

district.

Section 17-1. Open space is insufficient 100 sf/du

The property, located on Prince Street at the intersection of Lombard Place, contains a five story brick structure. The conversion of the two stores has already been accomplished. The additional apartments are much needed in the neighborhood and the appearance of the property has been improved. Recommend approval.

VOTED:

That in connection with Petition No. Z-2254, brought by Pasquale Fraticelli, 82-86 Prince Street, North End, for a forbidden use permit and a variance for a change of occupancy from 16 apartments to 20 apartments in a local business (L-2) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The conversion of the two stores has already been accomplished. The additional appartments are much needed in the neighborhood and the appearance of the property has been improved.



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Petition No. Z-2256 Cohasset Holding Co., Inc. 130-138 North Beacon Street, Brighton

Petitioner seeks a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from wholesale beauty supplies to warehouse for wholesale flooring material, office and two vehicle garage in a local business (L-1) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 9-2. A change in a non conforming use requires a Board of Appeal hearing.

The property, located on North Beacon Street between Dustin and Murdock Streets, contains a one story masonry structure. The proposed use would be innocuous and would be consistent with wholesale distribution activities prevalent in this area. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2256, brought by Cohasset Holding Co., Inc., 130-138 North Beacon Street, Brighton, for a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from wholesale beauty supplies to warehouse for wholesale flooring materials, office and two vehicle garage in a local business (L-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The proposed use would be innocuous and would be consistent with wholesale distribution activities prevalent in this area.



Petition No. Z-2257
Louis D'Allesandro
5 Trenton Street (Rear), East Boston

Petitioner seeks a forbidden use permit and four variances to erect a one story plumbing supply warehouse in an apartment (H-1) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

•		Req'd	Proposed	
Section 8-7.	A warehouse is forbidden in a	an H-1 district.		
Section 14-1.	Lot area is insufficient	5000 ft.	2944 ft.	
Section 18-1.	Front yard is insufficient	25 ft.	0	
Section 19-1.	Side yard is insufficient	10 ft.	0	
Section 20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient	30 ft.	0	

property, located between Trenton and Lexington Streets, contains 2944 square feet of land. The proposed 18 foot high 64' x 46' plumbing supply warehouse would be situated at the rear of residential properties in the above streets. Exterior concrete block walls have already been constructed. The area is predominately residential three family. Completion of the structure would seriously impair the provision of sufficient light and air to the abutting residences and would be a detriment to the neighborhood. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2257, brought by Louis D'Allesandro, 5 Trenton Street (Rear), East Boston, for a forbidden use permit and four variances to erect a one story plumbing supply warehouse in an apartment (H-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. The proposed 18 foot high 64' x 46' warehouse would be situated at the rear of residential properties on Trenton and Lexington Streets. Exterior concrete block walls have

already been constructed. Completion of the structure would seriously impair the provision of sufficient light and air to abutting properties and would be a detriment to

this predominately three family neighborhood.



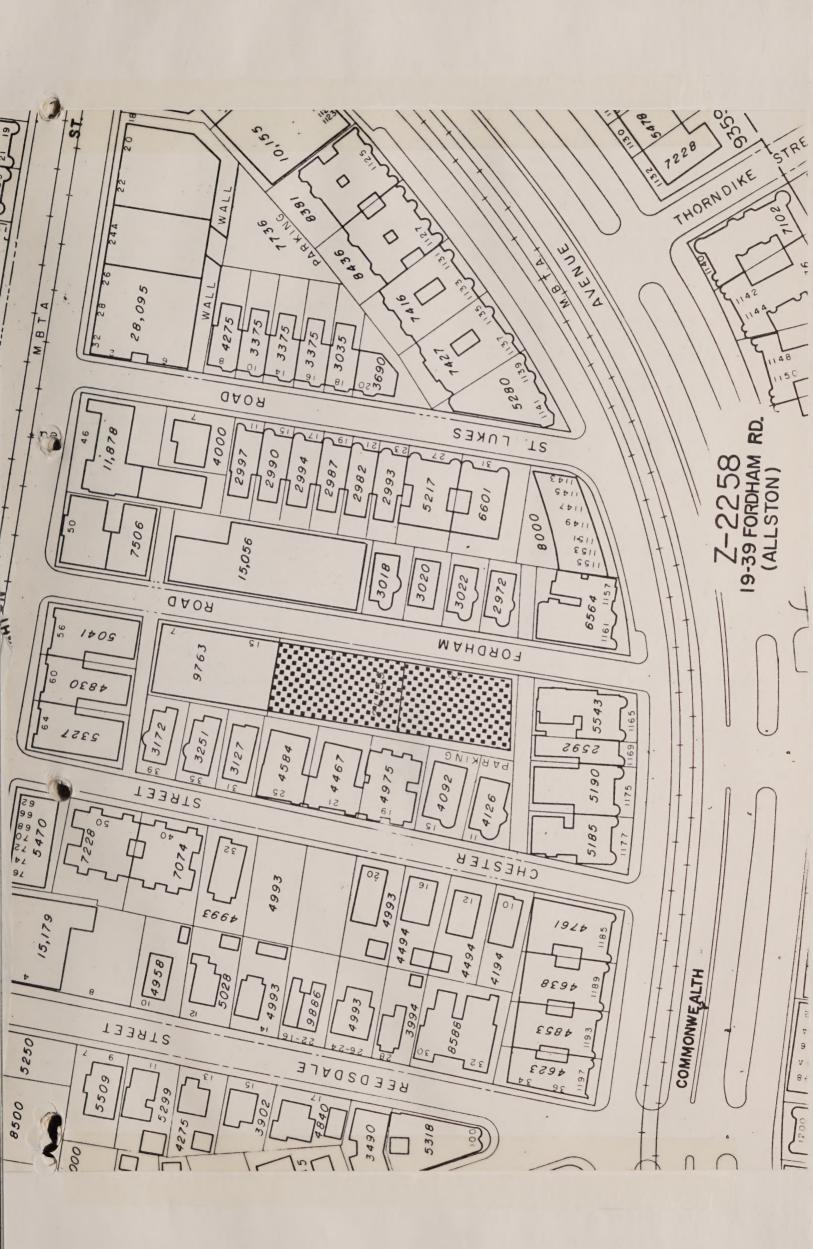
Petition No. Z-2258
Real Estate Investment Trust of America
19-39 Fordham Road, Allston

Petitioner seeks a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from storage, office and drafting room to office, storage of building materials, pipe fabricating and welding in an apartment (H-1) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 9-2. A change in a non conforming use requires a Board of Appeal Hearing.

The property, located on Fordham Road between Brighton and Commonwealth Avenues, contains a one story masonry structure. The proposed non conforming industrial use with its attendant activity and commercial traffic would be an injurious effect and deteriorating influence on the abutting idential oriented neighborhood. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No.Z-2258, brought by Real Estate Investment Trust of America, 19-39 Fordham Road, Allston, for a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from storage, office and drafting room to office, storage of building materials and pipe fabricating and welding in an apartment (H-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. The proposed non conforming industrial use with its attendant activity and commercial traffic would have an injurious effect and deteriorating influence on the abutting residential properties and the surrounding residential apartment oriented neighborhood.



Petition No. Z-2260 Maurice Galer 255 Berkeley Street, Back Bay

Petitioner seeks two forbidden use permits for a change of occupancy from 15 apartments to 13 apartments, drug store and self-service laundry in an apartment (H-5-70) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 8-7. A drug store is forbidden in an H-5 district. Section 8-7. A self-service laundry is forbidden in an H-5 district.

The property, located on Berkeley Street at the intersection of Commonwealth Avenue, contains a four story and basement apartment dwelling. The petitioner proposes to convert two basement apartments into a drug store and a coin-operated laundry. These proposed facilities would have a deteriorating and blighting effect on surrounding residential properties. Additional traffice generated by the proposal would intensify critical congested conditions now existing in the area. The Back Bay civic organizations are strongly opposed to the proposal. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2260, brought by Maurice Galer, for two forbidden use permits for a change of occupancy from 15 apartments to 13 apartments, drug store, and self-service laundry in an apartment (H-5-70) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. The proposed facilities would have a deteriorating and blighting effect on surrounding residential properties. Additional traffic generated by the proposal would intensify the critical congested conditions now existing in the area. The Back Bay civic organizations are strongly opposed to the proposal.



Petition No. Z-2261 Dr. Joseph J. Swirbalus 589-591 East Broadway, South Boston

Petitioner seeks three variances to legalize an existing occupancy for a two family dwelling and dental office and erect a one story addition to the dental office in a local business (L-1) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

•		Req'd	Proposed
Section 14-1.	Lot area for additional unit	5	
	is insufficient	1000 sf/du	0
Section 15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive	e 1.0	1.4
Section 19-1.	Side vard is insufficient	11 ft.	0

The property, located on East Broadway between H and I Streets, contains three story frame structure. The dental office-residential occupancy has existed for several years. The petitioner proposes to erect a one story addition at the rear of the structure to supplement the dental office. The violations would not have a significant effect on this mixed commercial-residential neighborhood. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition Z-2261, brought by Dr.
Joseph J. Swirbalus, 589-591 East Broadway, South Boston, for
three variances to legalize an existing occupancy for a
two family dwelling and dental office and erect a one story
addition to the dental office in a local business (L-1)
district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends
approval. The dental office-residential occupancy has
existed for several years. The violations would not have
a significant effect on this mixed commercial-residential
neighborhood.



Petition No. Z-2262 Humble Oil & Refining Co. 194-212 Western Avenue, Brighton

Petitioner seeks a conditional use permit and a variance to erect a three bay gas service station in a local business (L-15) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Req'd Proposed

Section 8-7. A gasoline service station is conditional in an L-15 district.

Section 18-4. Front yard is insufficient 15 ft.

The property, located on Western Avenue at the intersection of North Harvard Street, contains a gas service station which would be molished. The proposed new gas service station would include a massachusetts inspection bay and two new pump islands. The staff has no objection provided that the design, access and landscaping conform to Board of Appeal Guidelines for Automobile Service Station Construction. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2262, brought by Humble Oil & Refining Co., 194-212 Western Avenue, Brighton, for a conditional use permit and a variance to erect a three bay gas service station in a local business (L-15) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided that design, access and landscaping conform with the Board of Appeal Guidelines for Automobile Service Station Construction.



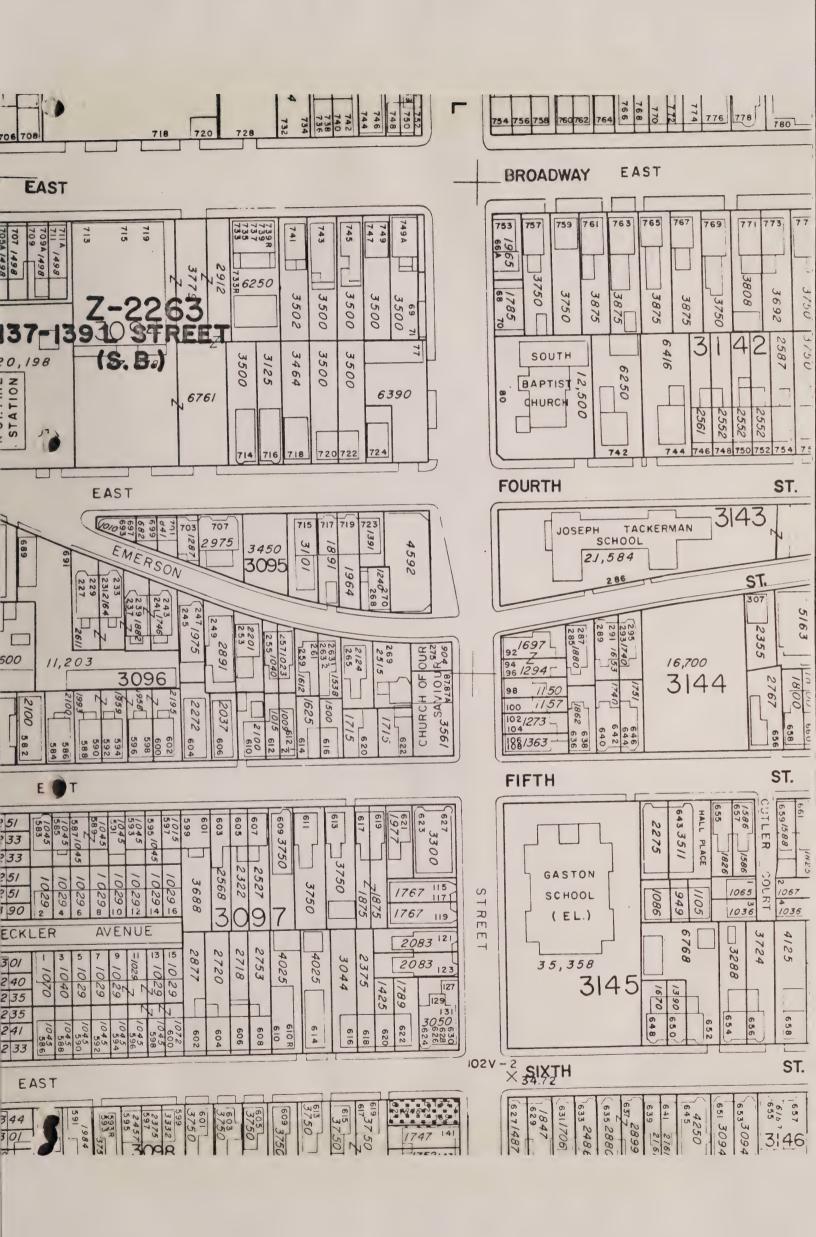
Petition No. Z-2263 Skender Mullai 137-139 L Street, South Boston

Petitioner seeks a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from a store and two apartments to a restaurant and two apartments in an apartment (H-1) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 9-2. A change in a non conforming use requires a Board of Appeal hearing.

The property, located on L Street at the intersection of East Sixth Street, contains a three story frame structure. This petition would legalize a restaurant occupancy which has existed for many years. The use would not have a detrimental effect on this residential-local business neighborhood. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2263, brought by Skender Mullai, 137-139 L Street, South Boston, for a change in a non conforming use for a change of occupancy from a store and two apartments to a restaurant and two apartments in an apartment (H-1) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The restaurant occupancy, which has existed for many years, would be legalized. The use would not have a detrimental effect on this residential-local business neighborhood.



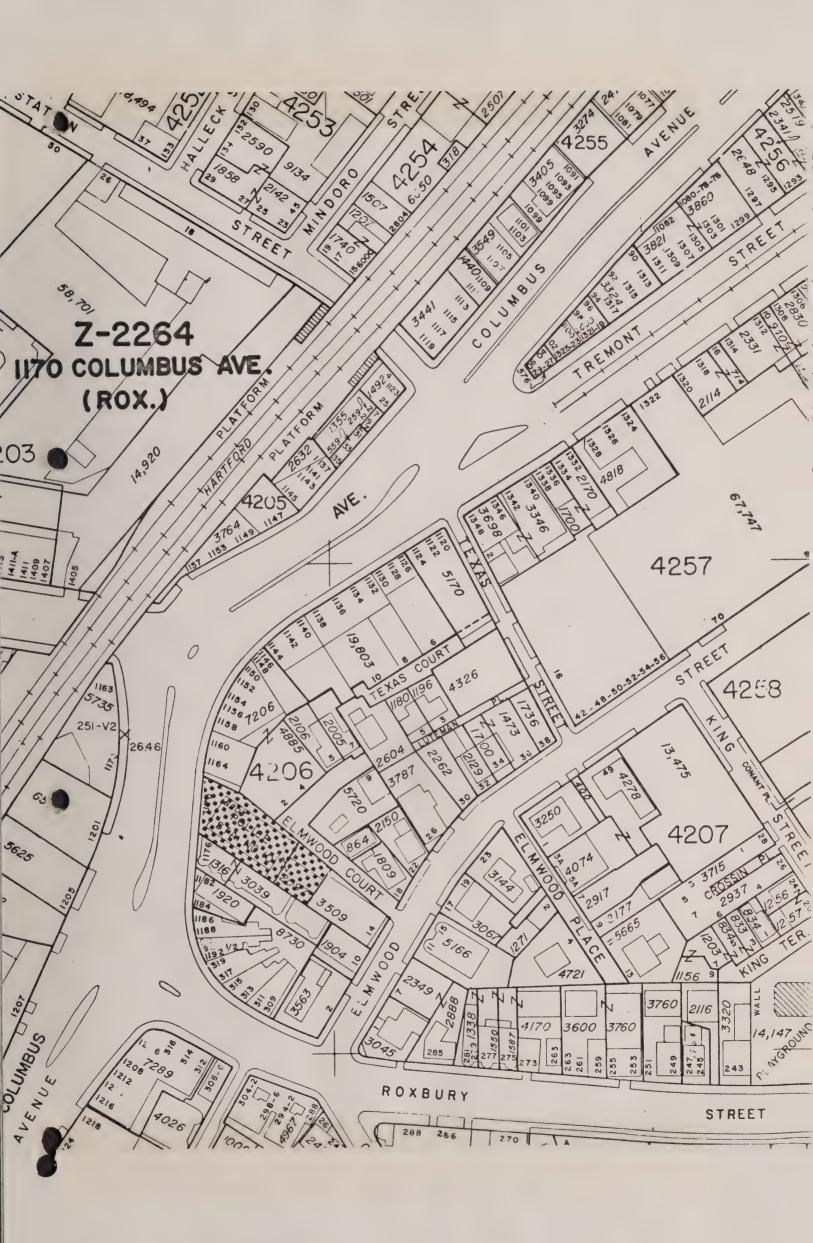
Petition No. Z-2264 Commonwealth of Massachusetts Right of Way Bureau 1170 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury

Petitioner seeks a conditional use permit for a change of occupancy from a police station to a residential drug rehabilitation center in a light manufacturing (M-2) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 8-7. A center providing custodial care for drug addicts is a conditional use in an M-2 district.

The property, located on Columbus Avenue at the intersection of Roxbury Street at Roxbury Crossing in the Campus High Urban Renewal Area, contains a three story masonry structure (formerly Boston Police Station, Division 10). The residential drug rehabilitation center is existing. structure contains offices and facilities for counseling and overnight care for 30 persons. The facility complys with Section 6-3 of the code (conditions required for approval). Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2264, brought by Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Right of Way Bureau, 1170 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury, in the Campus High Urban Renewal Area, for a conditional use permit for a change of occupancy from a police station to a residential drug rehabilitation center in a light manufacturing (M-2) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The facility complys with Section 6-3 of the code (conditions required for approval).



Petition No. Z-2269
John Engeian
1501 River Street, Hyde Park

Petitioner seeks a forbidden use permit for a change of occupancy from a one family dwelling to a one family dwelling and beauty shop in a residential (R-.5) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 8-7. A beauty shop is forbidden in an R-. 5 district.

The property, located on River Street near the intersection of Hillis Street, contains a two story frame dwelling. The immediate neighborhood is mixed residential - commercial - industrial. The petitioner proposes to operate the facility in the basement the dwelling. The proposal would not have adverse environmental pacts on the neighborhood. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2269, brought by John Engeian, 1501 River Street, Hyde Park, for a forbidden use permit for a change of occupancy from a one family dwelling to a one family dwelling and beauty shop in a residential (R-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The proposed facility would not have adverse environmental impacts on this mixed residential - commercial - industrial neighborhood.



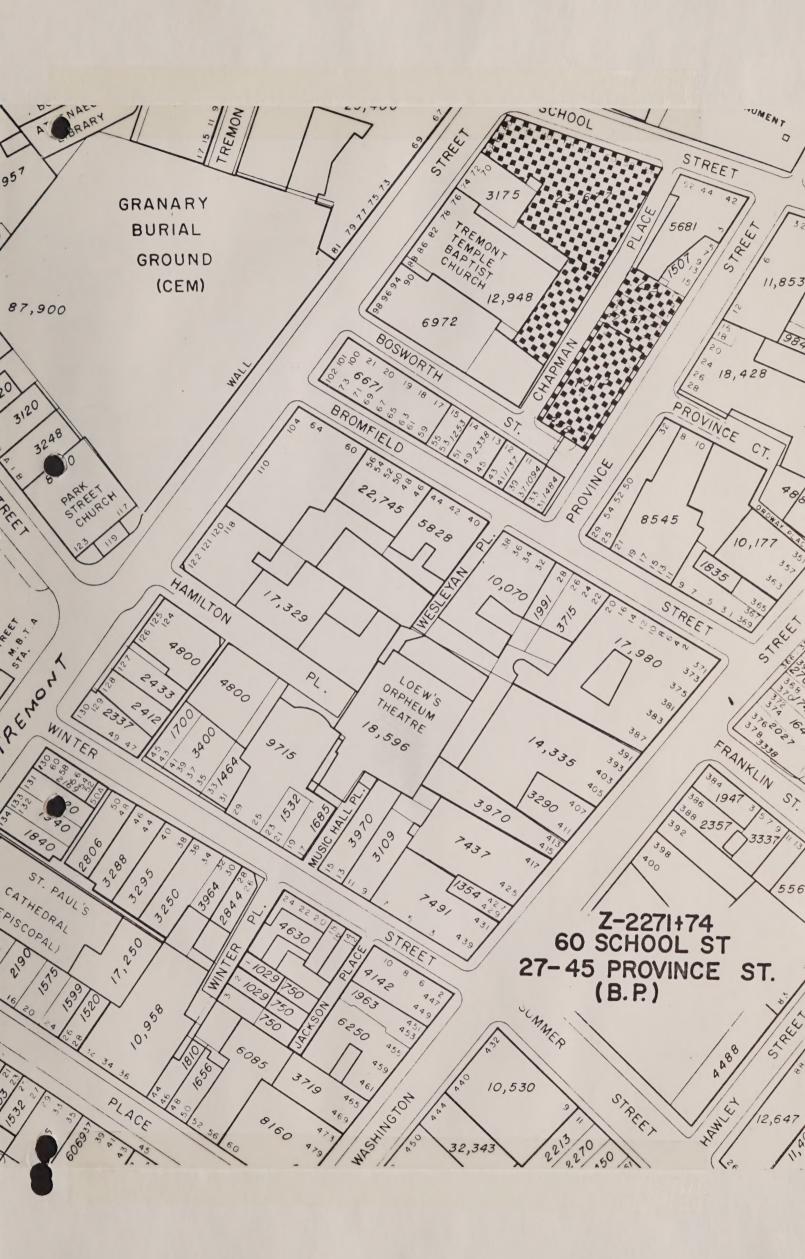
Petitions Nos. Z-2271 & 2274
G. J. Sherrard Company
Brook Realty Inc.
60 School Street & 27-45 Province Street
Boston

Petitioner seeks six variances to erect a 28 story tower addition to a hotel and combine with existing garage building in a general business (B-8) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

60 School Street		Req'd		Propos	sed
Section 15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive	8.0		11.3	3
27-45 Province	Street				
	Floor area ratio is excessive	8.0		17.3	3
	Front yard is insufficient (Province Street)	0.4	ft.	0	
Section 18-4. Front yard is insu (Chapman Place)	Front yard is insufficient (Chapman Place)	. 20	ft.	0	
	•	19	ft.	0	
Section 21-1.	Setback of parapets is insufficient	35 31 26	ft.	0 0 18	ft.
Section 24-1. insufficient	Off street loading bays are insufficient	2 ba		0	10.

The property, located on School, Tremont and School Streets contains a hotel, parking garages and an open air parking lot. The petitioner proposes to erect a 28 story steel frame 279 room tower addition to the Parker House Hotel on the parking lot and combine the hotel with the existing 14 story garage on Province Street. The proposed tower would be connected to the hotel by a three story bridge across Chapman Place and to the garage by street level openings. A new entrance and lentrances on School and Tremont Streets. A new trade show entrance to the existing hotel would be constructed at street level on Chapman Place. The proposal would substantially relieve existing traffic conditions on School and Tremont Streets. The staff recommends approval subject to petitioner's acceptance of design control by the urban design staff through the standard four stage design review process. Recommend approval with proviso.

VOTED: That in connection with Petitions Nos. Z-2271 & 2274, brought by G. J. Sherrard Company and Brook Realty Inc., 60 School Street and 27-45 Province Street, Boston, for six variances to erect a 28 story tower addition to a hotel and combine with existing garage building in a general business (B-8) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval subject to appellant's acceptance of design control by the Authority through the standard four stage design review process.



Petition No. Z-2272 St. Margaret's Hospital 84 Cushing Avenue, Dorchester

Petitioner seeks a forbidden use permit for a change of occupancy from nurses' training school to outpatient clinic and nurses' residence in a residential (R-.8) district. The proposal would violate the code as follows:

Section 8-7. A clinic accessory to a hospital is forbidden in an R-.8 district.

The property, located on Cushing Avenue near the intersection of Jerome Street, contains a hospital complex. The outpatient clinic for obstetrics, gynecology and pediatrics is presently operated across the street from the hospital on Sawyer Avenue. The clinic would be relocated on the first floor of the school of nursing which situated directly behind and adjacent to the hospital. The new cation would enable the clinic to operate more efficiently. Proposed alterations would be adequate and appropriate for the operation of the clinic. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-2272, brought by St. Margaret's Hospital, 84 Cushing Avenue, Dorchester, for a forbidden use permit for a change of occupancy from nurses' training school to outpatient clinic and nurses' residence in a residential (R-.8) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The proposed location within the hospital complex would enable the outpatient clinic to operate more efficiently and provide beneficial services.

